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For: METHOD FOR EVALUATING A WELD)
JOINT FORMED DURING A WELDING)
PROCESS)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to examination, kindly amend the above-captioned application as follows: